

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 16-28, 31-41, 44-51, 56-58 and 64-66 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Hornick et al. Claims 14-15, 29, 30, 42, and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hornick et al. and further in view of Rothschild et al. Claims 52-55, 59-63, 67 and 68 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hornick and further in view of Randall et al.

Claim 1 has been amended to recited limitations including selecting a second player input display which is displayed in the second display unit after the first player input display is displayed. The claim also recites that player input is received, the input being associated with the second player input display and being received via the touch screen unit. Claim 17 has been amended to recite that the configurable control panel unit includes a panel and lights located beneath the panel to illuminate external portions of the panel. These external portions correspond to button areas on the panel. The second display unit is located beneath the panel and the touch screen device is associated with the button area. With respect to these added features and elements to claim 17, the controller is programmed to cause the button area on the panel corresponding to the selected player input display to be illuminated. It is also programmed to cause button areas on the panel that do not correspond to the selected player input display to be de-illuminated. The controller is also programmed to receive player input data associated with the button areas on the panel that correspond to the selected player input display via the touch screen unit.

The cited references, alone or in combination, do not show, teach or suggest these limitations.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be

reached at the telephone number set out below.

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